

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) Device adapted to be used with a female recess tool , said female recess tool including a female recess for clamping a mobile element therein, and said device being adapted for marking or identifying said female recess tool by an inscription corresponding to information relative to said female recess tool, wherein said device being completely inserted in said female recess and maintained therein, said device comprising

an element having three dimensions, one of the three dimensions being substantially smaller than the other two of the three dimensions and being located in a plane perpendicular to an axis of clamping of said mobile element, said element marking or identifying said female recess tool by an inscription corresponding to information relative to said female recess tool and said inscription being visible inside of said female recess,

the element being constituted by a multi-layer material, the multi-layer material being constituted by a layer of one of plastics and metallic material, by at least one layer of ink and by a layer of protective material.

2. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said information relates to a dimension of said tool.

3. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said element is secured in the tool by forces of friction.

4. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 3, wherein the forces of friction are generated by rubbings between an inner wall of said female recess and a lateral surface of said element.

5. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein the element includes a shape complementary to a shape of said female recess.

6. (Currently Amended) Device adapted to be used with a female recess tool , said female recess tool including a female recess for clamping a mobile element therein, and said device being adapted for marking or identifying said female recess tool by an inscription corresponding to information relative to said female recess tool, wherein said device being completely inserted in said female recess and maintained therein, said device comprising

an element having three dimensions, one of the three dimensions being substantially smaller than the other two of the three dimensions and being located in a plane perpendicular to an axis of clamping of said mobile element, said element marking or identifying said female recess tool by an inscription corresponding to information relative to said female recess tool and said inscription being visible inside of said female recess, the element being constituted by a pellet, the pellet being of concave shape.

7. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 6, wherein the pellet is semi-rigid.

8. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 6, wherein the pellet is made of plastics material.

9. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 6, wherein the pellet is made of metallic material.

10. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 6, wherein the pellet has a thickness included between 0.1 and 1.5 mm.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 6, wherein the pellet includes information relative to dimensions of said tool.

13. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 12, wherein said information is inscribed on two faces of the pellet.

14. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 3, wherein the forces of friction allow removal of the element from the tool.

15. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein the element fits in a hand tool.

16. - 17. (Cancelled)

18. (Previously Presented) Device adapted to be used with a female recess tool having a female recess for clamping a mobile element, to be completely inserted in said female recess and maintained therein, said device comprising

an element having three dimensions, one of the three dimensions being substantially smaller than the other two of the three dimensions and being located in a plane perpendicular to an axis of clamping of said mobile element, said element marking or identifying said female recess tool by an inscription corresponding to information relative to said tool,

the element being constituted by a multi-layer material, the multi-layer material being constituted by a layer of one of plastics and metallic material, by at least one layer of ink and by a layer of protective material.

19. (Previously Presented) Device adapted to be used with a female recess tool having a female recess for clamping a mobile element, to be completely inserted in said female recess and to be maintained therein, said device comprising

an element having three dimensions, one of the three dimensions being substantially smaller than the other two of the three dimensions and being located in a plane perpendicular to an axis of clamping of said mobile element, said element marking or identifying said female recess tool by an inscription corresponding to information relative to said tool, the element being constituted by a pellet of concave shape.

20. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein said element is secured in the tool by forces of friction generated by rubbings between an inner wall of said female recess and a lateral surface of said element.

21. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein the element includes a shape complementary to a shape of said female recess.

22. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein the pellet is semi-rigid.

23. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein the pellet is made of metallic material.

24. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein the pellet is made of metallic material.

25. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein the pellet has a thickness included between 0.1 and 1.5 mm.

26. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein the pellet includes information relative to dimensions of said tool.

• 27. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein said information is inscribed on two faces of the pellet.

28. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein the forces of friction allow removal of the element from the tool.

29. (New) Device according to claim 19, wherein the element fits in a hand tool.